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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

WILLIE THURMOND and DAVID THOMAS, Individually and on behalf of others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

CASE NO.: 2:15-cv-01066

STATEMENT CONCERNING REMOVAL

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PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE, PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE, a Nevada corporation, and PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE CONCIERGE SERVICE, INC., and BRENT J. BELL,

Defendants.

Defendants PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE, PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE, a Nevada corporation, PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE CONCIERGE SERVICE, INC. and BRENT BELL (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Defendants") hereby submits the following Statement Concerning Removal:

- 1. On or about April 22, 2015, an action was commenced against Defendants, Case No.: A-15-717388-C, Dept. XXV, in the Eighth Judicial District Court, in the County of Clark, State of Nevada.
 - 2. Defendants removed this case on the grounds of federal question jurisdiction

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pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441, and 1446 as the Complaint asserts claims arising under federal law, specifically the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201, et seq.

- According to the Complaint, Plaintiffs WILLIE THURMOND ("Thurmond") and 3. DAVID THOMAS ("Thomas") are Nevada residents. See Complaint at ¶¶ 1 and 2.
- PRESIDENTIAL ("PL"), LIMOUSINE 4. Defendants **PRESIDENTIAL** LIMOUSINE, a Nevada corporation ("PLC"), and PRESIDENTIAL LIMOUSINE CONCIERGE SERVICE, INC. ("PLCS"), are Nevada corporations duly organized and existing under the laws of Nevada with their principal places of business in Nevada.
- Defendant BRENT J. BELL, was at all times relevant herein, an officer for 5. Defendants PL, PLC, and PLCS. See Exhibit A at ¶ 6.
- There are no other named defendants to join herein or who are required to consent 6. to this removal.
- The Complaint alleges damages for the named Plaintiffs Thurmond and Thomas, 7. and for similarly situated putative plaintiff class members in an amount equal to unpaid minimum wages and overtime compensation, "kick back" payments, liquidated damages, up to thirty (30) days waiting time penalties, plus interest, costs, and attorneys' fees. See Exhibit A at ¶¶ 33-34, 38, 43. In addition, the Complaint seeks all other relief available under the Nevada Constitution, allegedly including injunctive and equitable relief. Id. at ¶ 33-34.
- Defendants Notice of Removal was timely filed "within thirty days after the 8. receipt by the defendant, through service or otherwise, of a copy of a pleading, motion, order or other paper from which it may first be ascertained that the case is one which is or has become removable" 28 U.S.C. § 1446(b). Defendants were served with the Complaint and Summonses on May 21, 2015. Defendants are, therefore, within the 30-day deadline to remove.

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9. Additionally, the Notice of Removal was timely because it was removed less than one year after the case was commenced in the state court, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1446(c)(1).

DATED this 5 day of June, 2015.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the day of June, 2015, I served a true and correct copy of the foregoing **STATEMENT CONCERNING REMOVAL** addressed as follows:

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